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In re Application of Oettel et al. Application No. 10/729,487 Filed: December 5, 2003 Attorney Docket No. 576B

:DECISION ON PETITION AND

:NOTING JOINDER OF

:INVENTOR

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This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed on August 19, 2004.

In view of the <u>joinder</u> of the inventors, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is not necessary and such a petition is moot.

Accordingly, the petition is dismissed as moot.

This application does \underline{not} have any Rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this Office for further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 1616 for examination in due course.

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